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Applicants submit herewith Form PTO 1449 listing the references cited in this Information Disclosure Statement. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner (1) initial each reference listed on the enclosed Form PTO 1449 indicating that the Examiner has considered and made those references of record in this application and (2) return a copy of the initialed Form PTO 1449 to Applicants. Copies of the references are also enclosed.

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- ☐ After the mailing date of a first Office Action but before (1) mailing of a final action under 37 CFR §1.113; or (2) mailing of a notice of allowance under §1.311, whichever occurs first.
- ☐ Payment for the fee set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(p) accompanies this submission; or
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